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Subject: FW: [External] Clear Rate Communications, Inc. Docket No. 2020-171-C

Date: Thursday, November 5, 2020 5:55:37 PM

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Parties:

I am writing under Code Section 58-3-260(E) and Section II(C) of the Commission's Ex Parte Guidelines to report an inadvertent ex parte conversation that occurred this morning (November 5, 2020) in Docket No. 2020-171-C (Reseller Application of Clear Rate Communications). The email and my reply can be seen below.

As you can see, my reply was appropriate, but I did not realize the other parties in the docket were not included in the correspondence. Also, note that even though my reply did not include all of the parties, I did have the correspondence sent to the docket for posting at the time of the communication. I was notified of the error by the Clerk's Office this afternoon.

Sincerely,

Josh Minges

Hearing Examiner

From: Minges, Josh

Sent: Thursday, November 5, 2020 10:39 AM

To: 'Coble, Robert D.' <BCoble@nexsenpruet.com>

Cc: PSC Contact < Contact@psc.sc.gov>

Subject: RE: [External] Clear Rate Communications, Inc. Docket No. 2020-171-C

Hi Bob,

Unfortunately, I can't answer your question because the Commission hasn't voted on this matter yet. Thank for working on the proposed order, if the Commission approves Clear Rate's Application the order in this matter will reflect the Commission's ruling.

I'm sorry that I can't be more specific.

Josh

From: Coble, Robert D. <<u>BCoble@nexsenpruet.com</u>>

Sent: Thursday, November 5, 2020 10:23 AM **To:** Minges, Josh < <u>Josh.Minges@psc.sc.gov</u>>

Subject: [External] Clear Rate Communications, Inc. Docket No. 2020-171-C

Josh, I have finished the draft order and a draft of Hearing Exhibit 3 a late-filed exhibit detailing States in which Clear Rate is certified. One sentence I wanted to run by you before I emailed the order to you was one that waived the bond requirement pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. 103-607. Can this be waived permanently. I believe the last order I did in another matter waived the bond requirement until the company provides retail residential local exchange service in South Carolina. If that is not possible I will include the temporary language. Thanks

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